A REVIEW OF THE STATE OF THE BRITISH NATION.

Thursday, April 6. 1710.

WELL, Gentlemen *Whigs*, and now you think perhaps the Affair is over, and that we *Tories* and *High-Flyers* have ſpent all our Shot, emptied all our Magazines, and fir'd all our Bombs; that the Bonfires and Illuminations are the Concluſions of our Rabbles, and that now Things ſhall be re-eſtabliſh'd and reſtor'd again——And you ſhall go on again as you did before——— But be not miſtaken, for all theſe Things have not befallen you by Chance, nor is the ſingle Caſe of Dr. *Sacheverell* the Sum and Subſtance of our preſent Undertaking——— We are reſolv'd to go thorow Stich with you, and carry our Work on to both Ends of the Iſle of *Britain*——And therefore you may expect it; we are not ſo afraid of you now, as to hide our Deſign.

And firſt take Notice, that having given you a Taſte of our Force in demoliſhing your Schiſmatical Meeting-houſes in *London*, we reſolve as ſoon as the Parliament is up, to go on with it all over *England*; as the *Whigiſh* Intereſt depends upon a Conjunction between thoſe Traytors to the Church, who they call *Moderate Churchmen*, and the *Phanaticks*; we will firſt deprive them of the Support of this Faction, and then we ſhall ſee, whether they will ſtand againſt us alone or no, or whether they will have Grace to return to the Support

port of the true Church of *England* or no—Which if they will, we shall soon overthrow these new Principles of Government, that have thus debauch'd the Nation, and pull down the Usurpations of popular Government and Revolution——If not, they shall fall with them.

Wherefore we assure you, the Agreement among all the honest *High Church* People of the Nation is so firm, and so universal, that it is not in the Power of the Government to prevent our Resolutions. and you may take a Specimen of this from *Wrexham*, *Warwick*, *Dartford*, and other Places, where we have made some small Beginnings, but shall soon give you a more ample Testimony to your Content: Nor can you doubt, but even the very Magistrates, and the Gentlemen of the Army will concur with us. since you see, they have already testify'd their Good will in the first above-nam'd Places—So that we shall not be insulted by Guards and Militia, as we have been in *London*——— And if the Magistrates shall in any Place be aw'd by the Government, from giving us due Encouragement and Assistance, we shall not want Means to oblige them to it, or soon find Ways and Methods to get others into the Magistracy, who will be more in our just Interest.

In the next Place you may take Notice, that we have taken a true *Black List* of all those *False Brethren* Representatives, who have so rudely treated our Proto-Martyr and Champion Dr. *Sacheverell*, the bright Ornament of the *High-Church* Cause, and they shall soon find a Difference in the Countenances and Carriage of their Principles, when they return—— Such as shall let them easily see, how likely they are to be chosen again—And we are now forming a general Combination, *we hate the Word Association, or else we would call it so*, in all the Counties in *England* against them; so that One and All it shall be agreed, not One of them shall be chosen again: Nay, we are not out of Hopes of inflaming our Freemen and Freeholders in such a Manner, that few of them shall dare to come down, or show themselves at an Election; for if we can but keep the Mob of our Side, we shall give them such a Reception, as shall soon beat them out of the Field in the Counties, and out of the Town-Halls in the Burroughs, and then the Day will be our own; and a Specimen of this Combination you may see in the *Gloucestershire* Address.

Nor is it any Discouragement, that the QUEEN gave us a cold Reception in the Affair of that Address, or that it could not obtain to be inserted in the *Gazette*, which indeed would have been some Service to us: We shall make it do for all that; and as to publishing it, we took Care to have it printed, before we let the QUEEN see it—or before we knew what Welcome it would have with her Majesty; and we have taken Care in all the Countries to report, that the QUEEN receiv'd it very graciously—Which contributes very much to that useful Pretence, which we have so successfully forg'd; *viz.* That the QUEEN is of our Side, and that all these Things are a Force upon her Majesty's Inclination—

Nor can we doubt of this being successful, since the Country is dispos'd now to receive every thing we offer them. *For Example*, Have we not made whole Counties believe, that Dr. *Sacheverell*'s Sermons and Collections were not burnt; and that tho' the *Lords* condemn'd one to the Fire, and the *Commons* another, yet her Majesty would not suffer it to be done—— And this we have a very happy Proof of, which greatly satisfies the People, and does our Cause infinite Service; *viz.* That there has been no Account of its being done, published in the *Gazette*, as in all such Cases was the Usage and Custom to have been done. We know, some wiser People are satisfy'd by having good Intelligence, that the said Books were actually burnt, according to the Order of the respective *Houses*; and as to the not publishing it in the *Gazette*, they know, that the *Gazette* indeed does always take Notice of such Sentences being executed on Processes made by the Secretaries of State, but do not take Notice of such as are the Effect of Parliamentary Prosecutions—— But this is nothing at all in the Countries, where such Distinctions do not

not reach, and if they do, are not understood, and therefore it is of wonderful Service at this time to us.

Thus these two Parts of our Work stand very fair, and we are in no doubt of Success; *viz.* Crushing the *Dissenters*, and chooſing a *High-Church* Parliament——— What fine Things we shall bring to pass by a loyal, zealous, true Church Parliament, when the *House* shall be purg'd from *Presbyterians*, and *Low Church* Enemies, may easily be understood, and requires but short Hints to explain; yet lest our Friends should doubt that we will not make thorow Work of it, you may take a short Abridgment of our great Undertaking, which we have firm Resolutions to perform, and doubt not of having our Endeavours succeed.

First, We resolve to dethrone the present Ministry, pull down, and put an End to the Reign of Whiggism and Moderation; and bless our Army with new Generals, our Navy with new Admirals, our Treasure with new Managers, and our Exchequer with new Credit.

Secondly, We resolve to demolish the fatal Foundation of all our Mischiefs, the Toleration, and will no more have the Insolent Cathedrals of the Phanaticks insult our Church, and stand in Defiance of our establish'd Hierarchy, in the very Face of Authority.

Thirdly, We will effectually restore our Episcopal Brethren in *Scotland*, not to Toleration only, for that will not do their Business——But to a due Superiority over all the pretended Establishments of Presbyterianism, and the prepostorous Prosecutions of their usurping Kirk Judicatories.

Fourthly, We will cause the Articles of the late Union, and the unhappy Settlement of the pretended Succession, which are so contrary to the true Doctrine of Non-Resistance and Passive-Obedience, to be laid before our most free Parliament, in order to be repeal'd in a legal Way.

As to Claims of Right in either Kingdom, Attainders of the right Heirs, &c. we shall have them committed to the Hangman by Way of Equivalent——— And then her Majesty shall be establish'd as Tenant for Life in Possession of the Crown, and we taking some effectual Course to make her Lease as short as we can——— Our Great Patron the King of *France*, shall be desir'd to send over the Chevalier *De St. George*, with a sufficient Force to defend us from *Whigs* and *Presbyterians*; and thus Universal Peace shall be restor'd among us——— The Crown shall revolve to the right Line, all Parties shall rejoyce in a second Restoration, and these Ages of Blood, quarreling of Parties, and raising endless Taxes shall be put to an End. Prepostorous Liberty shall die and wither away, universal Property shall center in the Sovereign, and wholesome Tyranny be restor'd to these Kingdoms;

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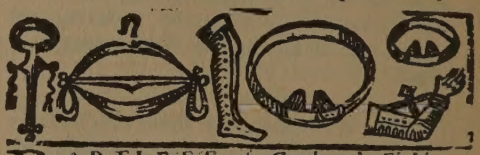

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